

**A meeting of the Rhode Island Turnpike and Bridge Authority was held on Wednesday December 14, 2005, 8:30 a.m. at the Jamestown Police Department Conference Room.**

**The meeting was called to order by Chairman David A. Darlington.**

**Members Present:**

**David A. Darlington, Chairman**

**Richard P. Eannarino, Vice Chairman**

**Arthur H. Fletcher**

**Stephen C. Waluk**

**Members Absent:**

**William Chuck Alves**

**Invited Guests:**

**Kenneth M. Bianchi, Executive Director**

**Richard E. Dragon, Chief Financial Officer**

**Peter M. Janaros, P.E., Director of Engineering**

**Robert Moorehead, Chief of Maintenance**

**Jo-Ann Head, Executive Assistant**

**Lori Caron Silveira, Esq. Legal Counsel**

**Evan Smith, President & CEO, Newport County Convention & Visitors Bureau**

**Kathryn Farrington, Director of Marketing and Community Partnerships,**

**Newport County Convention & Visitors Bureau**

## **Item No. 2**

**Motion by Stephen C. Waluk, seconded by Arthur H. Fletcher, passed unanimously to approve the minutes to the November 2, 2005 quarterly meeting as amended for Item No. 4.**

**The Chairman moved item No. 14 be moved to the beginning of the agenda.**

## **Item No. 14**

**Evan Smith, President and CEO, Newport Convention & Visitors Bureau presented the RITBA Board of Directors with an award for its contributions to the Hospitality Industry of Newport County. Kathryn Farrington Director of Marketing and Community Partnerships gave a DVD presentation on “Destination Newport” to the Board and invited guests. The RITBA was a major sponsor for this promotional effort through its co-op advertising budget.**

## **Item No. 3**

**Motion by Stephen C. Waluk, seconded by Richard P. Eannarino, passed unanimously to approve: Tillinghast Licht**

<b>Invoice No. 2988067</b>	<b>\$ 1,319.18</b>
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<b>Invoice No. 2988068</b>	<b>4,934.88</b>
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<b>Invoice No. 2988069</b>	<b>732.33</b>	<b>Total \$ 6,986.39</b>
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**Item No. 4**

**Motion by Arthur H. Fletcher, seconded by Stephen C. Waluk, passed unanimously to ratify: Parsons Transportation Group – Mt. Hope Bridge**

**Design of On-call Deck Maintenance**

**Contract #05-6**

**05091343 \$18,361.76**

**5101747-A 8,102.60**

**Construction Support & Field Inspection Services**

**05091341 20,553.24**

**5101214 23,831.70**

**Other Engineering Services**

**05091340 2,131.92**

**5101210 17,138.44**

**Maximum Probable Loss Determination**

**5101747-B 5,010.82**

**5101747-C 2,766.96**

**Total \$97,897.44**

**Item No. 5**

**Motion by Richard P. Ennarinno, seconded by Arthur H. Fletcher, passed unanimously to ratify: Parsons Brinckerhoff Quade & Douglas**

**Pell Bridge – Newport**

**Security/Electrical upgrades**

**272217    \$29,037.56**

**2004 Bridge Security/Electrical System &  
Anchorage Drainage**

**272487        1,107.36**

**277353        1,986.04**

**003 Construction Phase Services Toll Collection  
System Replacement**

**275351        2,214.92**

**Emergency Rail Repairs – Anna Diaz Accident**

**279973        2,283.71**

**Central Air Handler**

**279979        1,727.17**

**Total \$38,356.76**

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**Item No. 6**

**Motion by Richard P. Eannarino, second by Stephen C. Waluk,  
passed unanimously to ratify: TransCore – Pell Bridge Newport**

**Application 01-73098    \$16,774.00**

**Item No. 7**

**Motion by Stephen C. Waluk, seconded by Arthur H. Fletcher, passed unanimously to ratify: Aetna Bridge Co. – Pell Bridge Newport**

**Application 1A           \$ 20,425.00**

**Mt. Hope Bridge**

**Application 1           202,929.78**

**Total \$ 223,354.78**

**Item No. 8**

**Motion by Stephen C. Waluk, seconded Arthur H. Fletcher, passed unanimously to ratify: E.W. Audet – Mt. Hope Bridge**

**Application 15   \$87,875.00**

**Item No. 9**

**Motion by Arthur H. Fletcher, seconded by Richard P. Eannarino, passed unanimously to approve Parsons Brinckerhoff Quade & Douglas Proposal Design Services for Median Barrier Design on the Newport/Pell Bridge at a cost not to exceed \$288,000.**

**Item No. 10**

**Motion by Stephen C. Waluk, seconded by Arthur H. Fletcher, passed unanimously to approve Parsons Brinckerhoff Proposal for Structure ‘E’ Deck Replacement Type Study for the Newport/Pell Bridge at a cost not to exceed \$124,000.**

**Item No. 11**

**Motion by Stephen C. Waluk, seconded by Richard P. Eannarino,**

**passed unanimously to approve Parsons Brinckerhoff Quade & Douglas Proposal for Main Cable Investigation Plan for the Newport/Pell Bridge at a cost not to exceed \$174,000.**

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**Item No. 12**

**Motion by Arthur H. Fletcher, seconded by Stephen C. Waluk, passed unanimously to approve Parsons Transportation Proposal for Construction Support Services for Construction Contract 05-11 Mt. Hope Bridge Tower Painting & Rehabilitation at a cost not to exceed \$505,000.**

**Item No. 13**

**Motion by Stephen C. Waluk, seconded by Richard P. Eannarino to retain the services of Charles G. Newton, Jr. as In-House Marketing and Advertising Services Consultant. The contract will be “project oriented” for a term ending June 30, 2006 for an amount not to exceed \$20,000 with an affirmative representation as to his affiliation and separation terms with his former employer.**

**The report of Alicia Connaughton, RITBA Procurement Consultant recommended Mr. Newton as the top choice from an RFQ Selection Process. The Board voted three to one to confirm the Executive**

**Director's selection.**

**Board member, Arthur H. Fletcher, cast the dissenting vote due to concerns about how the engagement of Mr. Newton might be perceived, given Mr. Newton's former employment with RITBA's former marketing firm, Cote & D'Ambrosio.**

**Item No. 15**

**Motion by Stephen C. Waluk, seconded by Arthur H. Fletcher, passed unanimously to approve the month of January as an addition for a second enrollment period to the RITBA 401(K) Plan.**

**Motion by Stephen C. Waluk, seconded by Arthur H. Fletcher, passed unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 10:14 a.m.**

**Kenneth M. Bianchi**

**Secretary**